**Transcription of Interview**

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During my past years I always got overtime job so I have to work, normally I have to leave my bank around 10pm or 11pm, everyday and even the weekends, so I just been guaranteed my time to go to work but I don’t know when I can get off, so it’s quite stressed. Another reason is, China and also Shanghai, yeah it’s my home town, it’s developed so quickly and so fast during those years and a lot of people, the foreigners or the people from other provinces in China they just rush to Shanghai, so you can feel the stress, you can feel that so many, especially the young people, they got the knowledge, they’re so young they more energetic so you have to work much harder than others. Also the living expense, I cannot say the most expensive place but it’s quite expensive, when you get the pay it’s quite hard for people to stay in Shanghai, so yeah it’s quite stressful.  Anna: When did you move to Australia and also why? So any reasons why you moved to Australia?  Jackie: To be frank, I just tried to permanently move to Australia, start from last year but I moved this year in July, so just a few months before. But I have studied in Australia years before around 2003, yeah I just come here to finish my degree that time.  Me: Ok so you came here before and then you went back, is that right?  Jackie: Yeah, I just pursue maybe my career, because I have worked in local bank for many years and I just wanted to see if I could, I hope to improve my ability to live in different environments, and when I went back to China I just changed my banking but same field, but I just changed for all the foreign banks.  Me: So do you plan to go back to China after you’ve finished all your study and what not or stay here?  Jackie: Um, back to China after I studied that year then I just returned to Australia and hope to stay here, maybe quite a long time.  Me: So who do you live with here, so you have family her at all?  Jackie: My husband will be moving soon, probably would be early next year, the spring festival, yeah around that time. Now only myself, I live with myself!  Me: So do you have any children at all?  Jackie: No, I have not time to have a baby!  Me: Obviously your life has changed a bit since moved to Australia, how has that impacted on you?  Jackie: Um, I think most of my colleagues or my friends, when they think of migrating to other countries the first thing they think of is life, they hope to to get a balanced life, because if you just want money and you want a position you can still stay in China, but you have to think of why you work so hard and what you’re looking for, if that means the healthy life: you hope to be healthy keep fit, you hope to get more time to live with your parents, your family members. So yeah, that is what you think of. I just tell you, it’s not a good thing, but I have to say, someone just suggests to me if you want to keep healthy in China just eat less. It’s quite, it’s not good thing. And also, the weather is more clean here, the people are more polite, yeah that’s why I love to live here.  Me: What else do you like about Australia? Anything in particular that you love about Australia?  Jackie: Less pollution, yeah of course people will say, especially. I just got my ex colleague, he has been moved here for a master degree, when he moved back to China, he just changed the signature of the msn and that is: I back to China, just seeking for job but I miss the weather, miss the less temperature here in Australia. Yeah, especially for Shanghai, it’s hard to imagine. The sky is blue! I’m not joking. It always looks a little bit grey!  Me: What do you miss about China?  Jackie: Food, it’s quite delicious, and also the shopping. Because, in Shanghai I have told my friends, even I live in Sydney, because I also have been living in Sydney before, people like to use boring. They have described Shanghai as ‘ever bright,’ yeah you’ve got so many things to do, you’ve got so many shopping centres and it’s so big, a lot of fun there. But here, people, especially for the public holiday some of the restaurants are closed and even the post office, but in Shanghai, no they always keep open.  Me: Can you tell me something interesting about your life?  Jackie: I like the lifestyle here. You got more time to communicate with your family members. Now I just live in Glen Osmond, it’s actually on the hill and you can climb it. But it’s hard to imagine, when you lived in all the high buildings. Less traffic jams, you know in Shanghai only like the 10km I use more than one hour to drive there and I always like the parking area. It’s quite different, I love it. I tend to like to make the beer, because my landlord he just made it all by himself, he is superman! Seems he can do everything! But I just miss some other things. When people serve you it’s quite expensive you know! In China I have no time to deal with the housework; I have no time for cooking or cleaning. Some people just come over, it’s not expensive, and also like the, wash my hair, I just seldom to do it myself, I just go out and have someone to do it for me and even with some massage, it’s cheap and convenient, yeah that’s good.  Me: Can you just say what you’re doing here working in the cafe?  Jackie: I have to think of what I have to do, what I could do, after moving here, I could not just stay at home all day, I have to think about it. I just think, maybe one day I could just run a small business, so yeah I have to learn how to keep serving how to get the order how to contact with the vendor and even how to manage staff, you just have to feel it before you start to do it, so I think it’s a good chance to familiarise with it.  Now I’m just working at BB’s Cafe in Castle Plaza, in the kitchen room, cleaning the dishes and learning how to make the order. |